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Peters Dedicates \$333,000 to Kids, Community Improvements

SAN DIEGO -- Council President Scott Peters will spend \$333,000 in federal Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") funds on 131 projects throughout San Diego. Council District One received 6.5% of the city's overall \$15.5 million CDBG allocation for fiscal year 2007.

Organizations that serve children and families received over \$59,000, distributed over seven agencies. These are the San Diego Police Department, \$30,00 for the STAR/PAL outreach program; \$10,000 for the Girl Scouts San Diego-Imperial Council for an Education and Training Pavilion in Balboa Park; \$5,000 for the Big Sister League of San Diego for transitional housing and support services; \$5,000 to Aquatic Adventures, which provides marine science education for economically disadvantaged youth; \$4,000 to the St. Vincent de Paul Management Inc. for a child care facility for homeless and impoverished children; \$3,000 to Pro Kids Golf Academy for maintenance and security improvements; and \$2,000 to upgrade the fire alarm system at the San Diego Center for Children.

Peters also allocated funds to agencies serving the disabled community and improving access to our parks and neighborhoods. The largest single recipient of District One CDBG funds is the San Diego & Imperial County Labor Council "Safe and Accessible Sidewalks" program, which will receive \$40,000 to pay for "curb cuts" which allow the disabled easier travel between sidewalk and street. Another \$10,000 will be provided to the City of San Diego Park and Recreation department to fund a study to assess accessibility issues in city parks. The Arc of San Diego will receive \$3,000 to repair the roof at the North Shores Vocational Center, which provides job training for people with disabilities.

Other recipients include the city's Neighborhood Code Compliance division, which will receive \$30,000 to fund enforcement of the Lead Safe Neighborhoods program and \$7,500 for renovation of the San Diego LGBT Community Center.

A complete list of Council District One CDBG allocations is available upon request.

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